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## Rams pound Arthur, take championships

It was not easy for the Acton Knights of Columbus Tyke Rams. But then nothing worthwhile ever is.

Late comebacks, overtime drama and slow starts couldn't stop the Rams who captured the Zone 8 'B' Division championship with a 15-5 pounding of Arthur, August 19 in Acton.

The win gave Acton the title by virtue of a 3-1 record in their four-game round robin home-and-home playoff series with zone 8 rivals Kitchener-Waterloo Braves and Arthur Aces, who finished with 2-2 and 1-3 records respectively.

In the deciding game before the hometown fans, the Rams completely dominated Arthur jumping out to a 5-0 lead after the first period. They stretched it to 6-0 early in the second frame before the visitors responded. But Acton continued to pour it on, extending their lead to 11-3 after two periods and making the final a decisive 10-goal margin of victory.

Leading the way for the champions were Justin

Gibson, Garrett Williams and Braden Artem who each scored four goals. Kevin Deforest added two more while Greg Henry chipped in with a single marker.

Artem collected four assists while Mitch Thompson and Henry had three helpers. Winning goaltender Michael Krasnay, Williams, T.J. Ferriera, Wade Kuiken-Rodgers, Deforest and Nathan Brown had two assists apiece with Ryan O'Connell and Brett Maltby adding single helpers.

The road to the championship was not easy for the Rams who finished the 1996 regular season with a 6-4-2 record, good for third-place in the league. They opened the playoffs with a tough 7-5 loss to Kitchener-Waterloo, August 6 in K-W.

Falling behind 3-0 early in the second period the Rams rallied with goals from Williams, Artem, and Deforest to close the gap to only 4-3 after 40 minutes. Two more goals in the third from Kuiken-Rodgers and Artem, his second of the game, gave

the Rams their first lead. But the Braves proved a tough bunch scoring three times in a one-and-a-half-minute span late in the third to take the win.

In game two of the series played August 14 in Arthur, it was Acton who were on the right side of the late game heroics. Artem completed his hat-trick with 40 seconds left in regulation play to tie the game at 6-6 and send it into overtime.

In the extra frame, Henry scored his second of the game unassisted at 8:56 to give the Rams the win, their first in the playoffs, and intune start the march to the championship. Also scoring for the winners were Maltby and Deforest.

One night later in Acton, the Rams juggernaut reached full speed as they jumped out to a 6-2 first period lead over K-W and then cruised to a relatively easy 10-6 win.

Artem logged the hat-trick, while Deforest and Gibson had two apiece with Thompson, Krasnay and Henry adding singles.



**EASY THERE!** Rylan Parker and Carlie-Anne Vickery get their signals crossed and end up passing each other on the base paths. The girls were participating in the Acton Minor Ball Association Fun Day at Prospect Park. Fortunately the games were only exhibition and did not effect league standings otherwise passing is an automatic out. (Eve Martin photo)

## CPGA tour hits town with \$30,000 purse

Lorie Kane of Charlottetown, P.E.I. fired a final round six-under par 66 to record a come-from-behind victory in the \$30,000 Sawmill Creek Wines Canadian Professional Golf Association (C.P.G.A.) Women's Championship at Blue Springs Golf Club last

Wednesday.

Kane rebounded from her opening round of 76 to finish at two-under par 142 to win the title and take home \$5,400. She was four shots in front of runner-up Sharon Smith of Burlington (74-72) and six better than Joye

McAvoy of Windsor (77-71).

Defending champion Nancy Harvey of Swift Current, Saskatchewan was at 149 (77-72) and Barb Bunkowsky of Burlington was another shot back at 150 (75-75).

Kane's final round featured seven birdies and only one bogey. Birdies on 15, 16 and 17 pushed Kane past Smith into the lead for good.

Shelley Woolner of Acton and Christine Carter of Georgetown shot a 180 and 181 to finish well back.

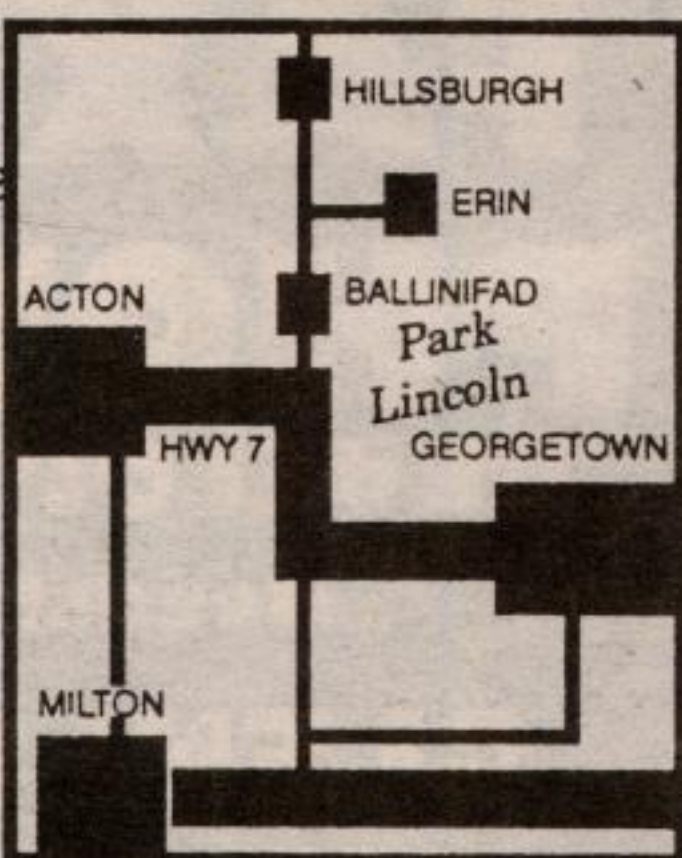
## No-Stars end perfect season

Dot Polo, coach of the Rockwood No-Stars, reports her team finished the 1996 season with a perfect record for the second year in a row. The team even won their league tournament last weekend.

Polo would like to thank all the players for their dedication and sportsmanship.

"Special thanks goes to team reps Laurie Leighton and Lori Savage for keeping us well informed of the league meetings and goings-on," Polo said.

Bonnie Hamilton, the team's assistant coach, was praised by Polo for her hard work and help all year.



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